Atty. Dkt. No. 065691-0196

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

∰icant:

Patrice DEBREGEAS et al.

DEVICE FOR COATING GRANULES TO BE

ADMINISTERED ORALLY

Appl. No.:

09/582,871

Filing Date: 08/09/2000

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a [] Small Entity statement previously submitted.
- [] Small Entity statement is enclosed.
- The fee required for additional claims is calculated below: [X]

| | Claims as Amended | | Previously Paid For | | Extra Claim Preser | S | Rate | | Additional Claims Fee |
|---|-------------------------|-----|------------------------|---|--------------------------|--------|------------|---|--------------------------|
| Total Claims: | 46 | | 44 | = | 2 | х | \$18.00 | = | \$36.00 |
| Independents: | 3 | · — | 3 | = | -0- | × | \$84.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: + \$280.00 | | | | | \$280.00 | = | \$0.00 | | |
| | | | | | | CLAIMS | FEE TOTAL: | = | \$36.00 |

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

| \$110.00 | \$110.00 | Extension for response filed within the first month: | [X] | | | |
|----------|--------------|---|-----|--|--|--|
| \$0.00 | \$400.00 | Extension for response filed within the second month: | [] | | | |
| \$0.00 | \$920.00 | Extension for response filed within the third month: | [] | | | |
| \$0.00 | \$1,440.00 | Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | [] | | | |
| \$0.00 | \$1,960.00 | Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | [] | | | |
| \$110.00 | N FEE TOTAL: | EXTENSIO | | | | |
| 146.00 | FEE TOTAL: | CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | | | |
| \$0.00 | ½ of above): | Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | | | |
| \$146.00 | TOTAL FEE: | | | | | |

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of. A duplicate copy [] of this transmittal is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$146.00 is enclosed. [X]
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may [X] be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, postdated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 15, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. Enclosed herewith is a Petition for a one-month extension of time to extend the time to respond to February 15, 2002. Should such a request or fee be deficient or absent, please consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to charge the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 to 1.18 to Account No. 19-0741.

IN THE CLAIMS:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.121, please substitute for original claim 1, the following rewritten version of the same claim, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

(Twice Amended) Device for producing granules comprising a drum with peripheral apertures and a member for feeding the drum with coating or fixing substance, wherein the drum comprises mutually parallel sections which define between them the apertures and which form a path between the inside and outside of a cylidrical portion of the drum for flowing gas.

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